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HONGKONG AGENCY:—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
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" " 6 " 4 "
" " 3 " 3 "

S. CHOH,
Agent.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1898. [382

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....$10,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPTORS.$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1899. [9

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [10

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....£800,000
RESERVE FUND.....£450,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" " 6 " ... 3½ "
" " 3 " ... 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 24th May, 1898. [31

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....5,000,000
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Branches and Agencies.

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THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
3% per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
4% " " 6 "
5% " " 12 "

E. W. RUTTER,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 15th October, 1898. [1237

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000
Paid up Capital.....£ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq.
J. T. Lauts, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Chief Manager,
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per Cent. per Annum.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [8

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON.....	*Bombay*	G. D. Saunder, R.N.R...	10 A.M., 23rd March.	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI	*Ballaarat*	C. L. W. Feild	About 31st March..	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c....	*Chusan*†	E. Street	Noon, 1st April.....	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN	*Rosetta**	C. H. Watkins, R.N.R.	4 P.M., 1st April ...	Freight or Passage.

* (Passing through the Inland Sea). † (See Special Advertisement).

For Further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [5

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Agencies in all the principal ports of China, Japan, Borneo and the Philippines.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1899. [15

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IRISH.	1 doz. Bottles.
DUNVILLE'S V. R.....	$12.00
Do. "Special Liqueur	15.00
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P.D.C. Sole Agents	$13.00
"FINE OLD" Our own Bottling	16.00
"CLUB" "	12.00
"SPECIALLY SELECTED" "	11.00
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"GLENLIVET" "	

HIGHLAND NECTAR"	1 doz. Bottles. Sole Agents for $16.00
"D.C.L." THE DISTILLERS	13.00
"HIGHLAND CLUB"... Co., Ld.	10.00
DEWAR'S EXTRA SPECIAL OLD HIGHLAND	14.00
Do. Special...	12.00
AMERICAN.	
FINE OLD BOURBON	$18.00
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The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager,
Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [36

W. POWELL & CO.

Ex. S.S. "SHANGHAI"

NEW STOCK OF LADIES'
TRIMMED & UNTRIMMED MILLINERY,
NEW FLOWERS, FEATHERS, LACES, RIBBONS, &c., &c.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [27

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,
FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LD., LONDON,
CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.
MANUFACTURERS OF THE
Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.
HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS, of all kinds.
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ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.
SUPERINTENDENT.....THOS. SKINNER
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Well appointed rooms, attentive service and excellent Cuisine.

GEO. J. CASANOVA,
Manager.
CITY OFFICE, 7, Duddell Street.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1899. [28

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BOVRIL AS A BEVERAGE

contains in a highly concentrated and easily digestible form the direct nourishment of prime ox beef, invigorating the healthy and strengthening invalids; whilst, for preparing sustaining Soups, Rich Gravies, Savoury Sauces, Croquettes, Rissoles and all Entrees, nothing equals

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THE SPECIFIC for SPERMATORRHŒA, IMPOTENCY, NERVOUS DEBILITY and PERMANENT CURE of the BOWELS.

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Sold retail by all Chemists and Wholesale by
THE PETER SYS COMPANY,
(Proprietors and Sole Manufacturers),
9, Old China Street,
Shanghai.
12th October, 1898. [1242

THE PHARMACY.

HAVE NOW A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF ATKINSON'S PERFUMES AND ARE SOLE MANUFACTURERS OF

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Sole Agents for VIN PASTEUR the great French Nerve Tonic.
Also Sole Agents for the now well-known JAPANESE TABLE WATER

TANSAN.

FLETCHER & CO.
and
CARMICHAEL & CO.
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GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held on TUESDAY, the 28th March, at 11.30 A.M. at the OFFICES of the Company, 7, Queen's Road Central, when a Resolution for the purpose of increasing the Capital of the Company will be submitted.

LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & Co.,
General Agent.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [377a

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Company held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1899, the following RESOLUTION was passed:

That a CALL of ONE DOLLAR per Share upon all the Holders of Ordinary Shares in the above Company in respect of all the Shares held by them in the above Company be and the same is hereby made. Such Calls to be PAID to the Company at their Bankers, THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 17th day of April, 1899.

And Notice is also given that in accordance with Articles 24 of the Company's Articles of Association interest will be charged as from the said 17th April, 1899, at the rate of $10 per centum per annum upon all CALLS remaining unpaid after the said 17th day of April, 1899, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

Shareholders are particularly requested to note that upon presentation at the Office of the Company of the Bankers' receipt for payment of the Call together with the certificate of the shares in respect of which the Call has been paid an endorsement to that effect will be made upon the certificate.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1899. [337a

CHINA SUGAR REFINARY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Peddar Street, at NOON, TO-MORROW, the 23rd March, for the purpose of receiving their Report and a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1898.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to 23rd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [292a

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Peddar Street, at 12.30 P.M., TO-MORROW, the 23rd March, for the purpose of receiving their Report and a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1898.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to 23rd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [291a

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

TWO (2) CERTIFICATES for 17 Shares numbered 4,981/4,996 and 5,000 standing in the Register of this Company in the name of JOHN PRENTICE having been LOST, Notice is hereby given that Two Duplicate Certificates for the said 17 Shares will be issued one (1) month hence, and that the Original Certificates unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1899. [372a

Entertainments.

TO-NIGHT at 9. WEST POINT.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON at 3.
WARREN'S CIRCUS
and
Prof. BRISTOL'S EQUES-CURRICULUM

TONIGHT

Middle. Zuida in a Balancing Trapeze Act of Surpassing Grace.
The Great Arabian Pyramids.
The Spinning Hats.
"Miss Rosie Baynes" and "Merrie Little Benham" in a Roaring Extravaganza.
"Denver" in new and Original Roles.
"Comanche's" see-sawing, barrel rolling and bell-ringing.
"Dynamite," the Equine Blondin.
"Les Enfants Terrible."
Miss Ethel Warren in Her Ingenious Coon Dance.
The Strange Adventures of Benham and Rogers.

USUAL PRICES.
SEATS at COTTAM & Co.

W. PFLUEGER,
Press Representative.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [323a

BIJOU THEATRE.

RECLAMATION GROUND, PRAYA WEST.

D'ARC'S MARIONETTES.

EIGHTH WEEK!
Despite the Present Continuous Enormous and Sensational Success.
PACKED AUDIENCES NIGHTLY.

The Management regret to announce the LAST WEEK
of this Exceptionally Brilliant and Enormously Successful Company owing to previous arrangements; consequently the Season terminates positively on
SATURDAY EVENING, the 25th instant.

TO-NIGHT,
Grand Change of Programme
ROBINSON CRUSOE.

PLAN at ROBINSON PIANO CO.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1899. [118a

A SCOTCH CONCERT
will be given
Under the Patronage of the
ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY,
in the
THEATRE ROYAL,
SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1899,
at 9 P.M.

By kind Permission of Colonel MAINWARING and OFFICERS, the Royal Welch Fusiliers Band will Play Selections during the Evening.

Songs by Mrs. VALLINGS, Mrs. GORDON and Mrs. LOWSON. Several Novelties will be given during the Evening.

The few remaining SEATS may be booked at the CITY HALL any day between 10 a.m. and 4 P.M. Those who have Booked and not yet received their Tickets may get them at the CITY HALL on application.

Admission, $2 and $1. Soldiers, Sailors and Policemen in uniform half price to the Pit.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [385a

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [18

THE MUTUAL STORES.

26, 28 & 30, POTTINGER STREET.

THE BEST VALUE IN THE COLONY FOR GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1898. [1389

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

TO-NIGHT.
VIVIANNE DAGMAR.
COMEDY COMPANY.
"OLD CRONIES"
and
"GOOD FOR NOTHING."
To be followed by Select Varieties and 4 SERPENTINE DANCES 4
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [393a

THEATRE ROYAL,

ANNOUNCEMENT EXTRAORDINARY.

Messrs. DALLAS and MUSGRAVE'S powerful Dramatic Company numbering 20 ARTISTES 20.

GRAND OPENING NIGHT, MONDAY, the 27th March. (And until further notice).

WILSON BARRETT'S MASTERPIECE, "THE SIGN OF THE CROSS."

Admission:—$3, $2 and $1.

Box Plan at ROBINSON PIANO COMPANY'S, Doors Open 8.15. Overture at 9.
T. EMPSON,
Representative.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [384a

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

MR. GEO. L. TOMLIN has been appointed Secretary to the Company from This Date.
H. L. DALRYMPLE,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [394a

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO.
THE Company's Chartered Steamship
"NANYANG,"
Captain Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Mangers.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [395a

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Chartered Steamship
"PRONTO,"
Captain Grandi, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 25th instant, at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [396a

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
TRIESTE, FIUME, ADEN, BOMBAY, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"MARIA VALERIE,"
having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.
This vessel brings Cargo:—
From Trieste, *per* S.S. *Maria Teresa* and *Imperatrix* transhipped at Bombay.
From Venice, *per* S.S. *Massimiliano* and *Carlotta* transhipped at Trieste.
Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 28th instant, *or they will not be recognised.*
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 28th instant, will be subject to rent.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [361a

To be Let.

TO LET From 1ST APRIL.

THE COMMODIOUS OFFICES on the GROUND FLOOR of No. 9, Praya Central, now occupied by Messrs. DODWELL & Co., LIMITED.
Apply to
E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [359a

TO LET.

SEMI-DETACHAD VILLA RESIDENCES on Bowen Road (now in course of erection.)
PROPERTY now occupied by the Bowrington Saw Mills.
FLOORS in STAUNTON and ELGIN STREETS.
"BAHAR LODGE."
No. 4, RIPON TERRACE.
"HARFORD," MAGAZINE GAP. Furnished or Unfurnished.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1899. [12

For Sale.

NOW READY.

HONGKONG RACES, 1899.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH'S"
ACCOUNT OF THE
1899 RACE MEETING
with TABULATED STATEMENTS of PLACED and UNPLACED PONIES, JOCKEYS and OWNERS

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Send Orders early to
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"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE,
Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1899.

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WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ALL our stocks of WINES and SPIRITS are selected by experienced buyers on the staff of our London House, bought direct at first hand imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

PRICE LISTS, with full details, to be had on application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true XERES Wines.

CLARET.—Our CLARETS, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine produce of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our BRANDY is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our WHISKY is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine only when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

BIRTH.

At Shanghai, on 13th instant, the wife of H. VON MEYEREN, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

At the Shanghai General Hospital, on the 16th of March, WILLIAM SMYTHE, aged 44 years.

At Shanghai, on the 17th instant, H. Atkinson, H.B.M.'s Crown Advocate, and only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Little, aged 27 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1899.

TELEGRAMS.

(By Telegraph.)

Special to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA, March 22nd.
4.17 p.m.

MR. COGAN SAFE.

The *Plover* has arrived from Cebu having rescued Mr. Cogan from the Philipinos. The *Plover* had some trouble with the natives of Leyte which almost culminated in a fight.

MORE RESISTANCE.

The natives of the island of Samar are preparing to resist the Americans.

FURTHER REINFORCEMENTS.

The transport *Sherman* has arrived....
Received at 5 p.m.
Published at 5.30 p.m.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

INDIA AND BOUNTY FED SUGAR.

LONDON, March 20th.

The Indian Government has passed a Bill imposing countervailing duties on Bounty Fed Sugar. The measure is meeting with opposition in the House of Commons.

LATEST BETTING ON THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

The latest betting on the University Boat race is six to four on Cambridge.

(From Japanese Papers.)

ITALY AND CHINA.

PEKING, March 11th.

Italy sent a note to the Chinese Government yesterday demanding a final reply within four days. There are signs of an intention to appeal to force if the reply is not favorable.

THE RUSSIAN VIEW.

PEKING, March 11th.

The Russian Minister to Peking has told the Chinese Government that it was a mistaken policy to reject Italy's demand, but that there is now no alternative but to prepare for war. The Chinese Government has issued instructions to all in command of coast localities to make every preparation for the outbreak of hostilities, and has ordered them to repulse the Italians by force if they attempt to land.

CHINA'S COUNTERMOVE.

TOKIO, March 12th.

The Chinese Government intends to open up Sanmon Bay, previous to Italy's occupation of it by force. With this intention, the Chinese Government has already written to the Governments of various Powers inviting their opinion regarding the proposal. Although it is impossible to disclose the Japanese Government's idea at present, it seems certain that such a communication has been received from the Chinese Government.

THE ITALIAN ULTIMATUM.

PEKING, March 12th.

The Italian Minister has accepted the advice of the German Minister and has again sent to the Tsungli Yamên the application for the lease of Sanmon Bay, which had been returned, accompanying it with an ultimatum.

TOKYO, March 13th.

The time given by Italy for the reply of the Chinese Government expires at 8 p.m. tomorrow. A dispatch to this effect has been received by the Government. It is clear, however, that the Chinese Government will not give a reply at the time specified.

CHINA APOLOGISES TO ITALY.

TOKYO, March 13th.

A Peking dispatch of the 12th inst. to the *Cnu-o Shimbun* states that on the intervention of Great Britain and Germany, the Chinese Government has made an apology to Italy, for its action in returning the Italian application without opening it, which is considered improper. It has therefore been arranged that negotiations shall be opened afresh.

CLAIM ON CHINA BY BELGIUM.

PEKING, March 12th.

Belgium is endeavouring to obtain a settlement at Hankow over which she will exercise exclusive control, and is now negotiating with the Tsungli Yamên.

RUSSIA AND THE NEWCHWANG RAILWAY.

PEKING, March 12th.

It is stated that the settlement of the Newchwang Railway question is due to the withdrawal of Russia.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—On the 22nd at 11.45 a.m. Pressure is very little changed, and is still highest over the Yellow Sea. Gradients slight to moderate with moderate monsoon on the coast, and, in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Moderate N.E. winds; fair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE further-hearing of the action brought against the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has been adjourned *sine die*.

THE Municipality of Rangoon has had to make a considerable refund of taxes levied on certain houses which were assessed at about 100 per cent. above their value.

H. B. M's. cruiser *Intrepid* has been despatched from Kingston (Jamaica) to Bluefield, to protect British interests there in consequence of the rising in Nicaragua.

IT is reported that yesterday one of the torpedo boats while out for a training run inadvertently crossed the line of fire of the troops firing at floating targets and was struck no less than seven times.

We have received from the *Daily Press* office the Hongkong Postal Guide for 1899 which has been brought thoroughly up to date. The guide will be found most useful for reference on all postal matters.

THE Yamaguchi Coal Mine, the average output of which has been 5,000,000 *kin* per day has been flooded, and work has had to be entirely suspended. The mine was considered the best in Iwaki Province.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Methersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

S. B. Bhabha $10

THERE will be a Hockey match to-morrow at 4.45 p.m. England *v.* The World. Team for England:—Messrs. Millward, Cox, C. H. Thompson, Morrell, Hooper, Wakefield, Loring, Brutton, Stevens, and Wodehouse.

LAST night a man living at 85, Praya Central, heard his wife groaning, and on getting up noticed that she was sick. A Chinese doctor was sent for, but the woman died early this morning. Her death is supposed to have been caused by opium-poisoning.

THE distribution of diplomas to the students of the Collage of Medicine for Chinese by His Excellency the Governor took place at the City Hall to-day. The Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart was reappointed Rector of the institution and an interesting speech was made by Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. Owing to the hour at which the meeting concluded we are forced to hold over our account of proceedings until to-morrow.

THE *Universal Gazette* states that there are rumours of a secret edict having been sent to Viceroy Liu from the Empress Dowager, commanding his immediate presence in Peking in order to give the Court the benefit of H.E.'s mature experience in the present crisis. In view, however, of the critical position of affairs, the *N. C. D. News* doubts the reability of the above report, as neither Viceroy Liu nor Viceroy Chang can well be spared at present from the provinces under their jurisdiction.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Hongkong Sanitary Board was held to-day, for the purpose of asking the Government to declare Tai-Wan-Foo in Formosa to be an infected port. Dr. Atkinson, P.M.O., took the chair, and after Mr. Duggan had read letters from Mr. Griffiths, British Consul at Tainan, stating that from March 7th to 13th there had been 122 cases, and 74 deaths from bubonic plague, and from January 7th to March 13th there had been 316 cases with 205 deaths, proposed that the Sanitary Board advises the Government to proclaim Tai-wan-foo and its port Anping, a place at which Bubonic plague prevails, in accordance with Article 1 of the quarantine Regulations made 18th March, 1897. And that the government be also requested to communicate with the Consul at Tamsui to ascertain whether any cases of Bubonic plague have occured there. Carried. This was all the business.

THE Java squadron will shortly be reinforced by the arrival of three quite new cruisers from Holland: the *Holland*, *Friesland*, and *Piet Hein*.

THE output of petroleum in Burma has now reached nineteen million gallons per annum, the capital invested in the enterprise being upwards of a crore of rupees, and the royalty realised by Government two and-a-half lakhs of rupees a year.

A DEADLOCK occurred at the Penang Assizes over the trial of three Chinese for causing grievous hurt to a coolie. Mr. Shearwood challenged all the European jurors of the second set, and the Solicitor-General several of the Chinese. No jury could therefore be empannelled.

AT a meeting held at the Club Concordia, Shanghai, on the 16th inst., at which most of the German firms in Shanghai were represented, it was decided to send a telegram to the German Minister at Peking, asking his urgent assistance in the matter of the Extension of the Settlement.

AT the Brabant Assize Court the notorious anarchist Victor Willems was sentenced to 15 years' penal servitude. There were no fewer than ten indictments of attempted murder against the prisoner, arising out of his shooting at the police officers who were searching his dwelling, and also firing at several persons in the street who endeavoured to prevent his escape.

THE Paris *Evénement* tells of the discovery of a wild man by Professor Laskowski. The professor introduced the savage to the students in the anatomy course at the University of Geneva. The man was discovered in a cavern in the Caucasus, where he lived a purely animal existence. He was covered with hair, was of limited intelligence, and only spoke in guttural tones.

A GOVERNMENT proclamation has been issued at Penang granting to the Mahommedans there certain privileges in dealing with small-pox patients of their religion. In certain cases such patients, will not be removed to the hospital. Relations will be allowed to nurse patients in the hospital. Patients can bring their own medicines. Burial of patients in accordance with Mohammedan rites is allowed.

A STRANGE tragedy has occurred at Biddenden, in Kent. Bertha Peterson, daughter of the vicar of the parish, suddenly drew a revolver and shot a Sunday-school teacher named Whibley, mortally wounding him. Whibley, who was a married man, died shortly afterwards. Miss Peterson was known for her eccentric charcter, and the fatal act was the result of a trifling quarrel which she had with Whibley.

SIX officers sat under the presidency of Lieut.-Col. Rowlandson at Singapore on the 13th inst. as a general court-martial for the purpose of trying 2nd Lieut. G. T. W. Webb, R.A. Major Gawne was appointed to discharge the duties of Judge Advocate at the trial. Two charges [illegible] pleaded "guilty." In consequence of this plea, the case has been referred home to the War Office.

THE trouble with pauper Austrian immigrants is not yet over in New Zealand. On the advice of the Home Government those already in the colony have been allowed to remain. Austrians in port were allowed to land on condition that the shipping companies concerned guaranteed their support for three months. But the North German Lloyd has intimated that more Austrians have been booked for New Zealand, and that they object to being prohibited from landing.

ACCORDING to the *N. C. Daily News* a rumour was current in Shanghai among the native community on the 15th inst., that, a party of foreign railway engineers, staff and military escort, while engaged in their work on the proposed Lu-Han Railway, the other day, at a place some fifty miles above Hankow, for some reason or other got into serious trouble with a large number of hostile villagers, resulting in about a dozen men being hurt on either side. Fortunately no casualties are reported among the foreign staff above noted.

A SHANGHAI paper learns that the Peiho is gradually getting in worse condition. Orders have been given that the lighters are not to load deeper than seven feet. Several that loaded outside the Bar to 8ft. 6in. had to be lightened by native boats on entering the river. In the Tangku reach there is only ten feet at low water, and, consequently, captains are somewhat fearful whilst navigating the reach, lest the anchors of vessels moored there be out of the centre of the line of moorings. The Bar is also in an unsatisfactory condition.

AT 8 a.m. on the 12th instant the Indo-China steamer *Canton*, Captain Wilde, *en route* from Hongkong to Shanghai and some twenty miles north of Fuyan Island, was steaming through a quantity of junk wreckage. The officer of the watch observed clinging to one of the fragments a couple of Chinese sailors who, benumbed with their immersion, were waving feebly for assistance. The vessel was immediately stopped and the 2nd officer sent to take them off. Whilst the boat was away another poor fellow, in like condition, was also noticed on another piece of wreck. The officer on returning, made a second trip, and, later on, a fourth man, semi-perished, was sighted. Eventually they were all handed on board. Diligent search was then made for other survivors, but, none being seen, the vessel continued her course. One of the men was delirious and the others in a sadly reduced condition, but on the application of restoratives they gradually recovered. Owing to the men knowing only the Amoy dialect great difficulty was experienced in getting information. It is understood, however, that on the previous night their junk, with a crew of 37 all told, struck on a rock awash, probably the one N.E. of Tae Island. It is almost certain that the remainder of the crew have perished.—*N. C. D. News.*

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

THE BISHOP TELLS WHERE TO GET GOOD HEAD PIECES.

The annual prize distribution in connection with the Diocesan School and Orphanage took place at noon to-day, the Bishop of Victoria presiding and handing the rewards to the successful pupils. There were also present the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Mr. G. J. Prercy, jun. (head-master), Dr. Bateson Wright, Rev. C. Bone, Rev. R. Flynn, Rev. T. W. Pearce, and Mr. Granville Sharp.

The Head-master said—My Lord Bishop, we are very pleased to see you in this school, knowing your many year's experience in education will enable you to understand and appreciate our work and its difficulties. He then proceeded to read his report as follows:—

School was taught on 249 week-days: the scholars numbered 235, being 50 more than in previous years: the average attendance was 120.37 compared with 100.58, our highest record.

Eleven candidates entered for the Oxford University Local Examinations in July and 9 passed, viz. 1 in the Senior, 3 in the Junior and 5 in the Preliminary.

Hitherto successive Government Inspectors have followed the English practice of coming to the school to examine the boys, but this year Mr. Brewin conducted only the *viâ voce* examination in our large school room on 14th December and summoned boys and girls from half a dozen schools to meet at the City Hall on 21st to 23rd December for the written work. Of our 102 boys examined 96 passed or 94 per cent. as compared with 82 per cent. in 1897. In Copy Writing, English History, Elementary Science, and Drawing 100 per cent. passed; in Reading 99; Geography 92.7; English Grammar 91.3; Dictation 82; Algebra 78.9; Euclid 70.8 per cent. and in Mensuration one passed and one failed.

Three boys entered for the local examination of the London College of Music and two passed.

Mr. E. Ralphs left in March to become an assistant master in Queen's College; we were sorry to lose his very valuable services and consider that the Government should have repaid to us the whole cost of his passage from England as his agreement had not expired, but it refused to pay anything.

Mr. B. Tanner, a trained and certificated master from Liverpool, has most efficiently taken his place and with Mr. W. Blaynay's able help rendered possible the aforementioned successes. Mrs. Arnold carefully assisted with the younger boys during part of the year.

We are glad to note that the Government has at last fulfilled the promise, given by the late Governor Sir Wm. Robinson some years ago, to extend, level and improve the play ground near Ravenshill, rented by by the West Point schools.

We beg to thank the medical and nursing staff of the Government Civil Hospital for a continuance of their kindness to sick boys; Dr. Chadwick Kew for dental aid and the following friends for the prizes: Sir J. W. Carrington, Kt. C.M.G., Hon. E. R. Belilios, C. M. G.; Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Messrs Choy Leep Chee, Fung Wa Chuen, D. Gillies, Ho Tung, R. Jackson, A. Mackie, G. Sharp, T. S. Smith and W. Whiley, Mrs. Arnhold and 'Two Old Boys.' *P. S.*—The unavoidable postponement of the prize giving till after the Chinese New Year holidays, enables me to announce that the new term has began well, we have some 30 more boys than last March, the school is full and many applicants have had to be refused admission. Mr. W. Blaynay, after 4 years successful work has left to take charge of a school in Tientsin. Two trained and certificated masters have lately arrived: Mr. Sykes who has passed the Intermediate B. Sc. and Mr. Frampton who has matriculated at London University.

The report of the scripture examination said:—"I have examined forms III to VII by written answers and forms I and II orally in their scripture lessons, and I am satisfied that the teaching has been careful and good. In every form several boys answered remarkably well, and there were very few bad papers. There is an improvement in the style of answering questions, the answers are more to the point and better explained. The repetition in the lower classes was good; it would be better if it were less rapid. The general efficiency is shown by an average of marks of over 50 per cent. all through the school. R. F. Cobbold, M.A."

The Bishop then distributed the prizes, afterwards delivering an address. In the course of his remarks he said that one thing had struck him very much as he had been giving away these prizes, and that was to see how well they were distributed between English, Eurasian, and Chinese, and how frequently the Chinese had come to the top—(Hear, hear)—and had taken the first prize. It had convinced him of what he had long felt to be the case from his own personal experience amongst the Chinese, and that was that if they wanted good head-pieces they could come to China and they might be perfectly certain to find a great many good head-pieces there. So far as he knew there was nothing that a Chinaman could not learn and there was no intellectual work that a Chinaman could not do. He did not know whether other people would bear him out in that certainly so far as his experience went the Chinaman could learn anything and do anything with his head, and therefore he was glad to see a large number of Chinese in that school, as well as Eurasians and English, because he was glad to see the Chinese availing themselves of every opportunity of education that they could give them. (Hear.)

After a few remarks from the Head-master, Mr. Cobbold thanked the Bishop for his attendance, and the proceedings concluded with cheers for the Queen, the Bishop, and the Head-master.

The following were the successful prize winners.

CLASS PRIZES.

VII Standard—P. Wilnau; VI Standard—(1) R. T. Strangman; (2) E. Long; V Standard—(1) Choy Po-Sing; (2) F. Drude; IV Standard—(1) Wong Yuen-Shing; (2) Ng Tin-Po; III Standard—(1) W. Blumenberg; (2) Lam Sing-Po; II Standard—(1) Ch'an Him-Shau; (2) Lo Kam-Chuen; I Standard—(1) L. Le Breton; (2) Ng Mi-Sam.

SCRIPTURE PRIZES.

VII Standard—Li Chi-Lang; VI Standard—R. T. Strangman; E. Long; V. Standard—W. Moyhing; IV Standard—Kong Ying Fo; III Standard—P. E. Hastings; II Standard—H. Jex; T. Jex; A. Moyhing; I Standard—L. Le Breton.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

VII Algebra and Mensuration—Li Chi-Lung; VI Algebra and Euclid—Kwan King Fui; V. Algebra and Euclid—J. G. Howard; Physical Geography—Choy Po-Sin; IV Algebra and Physical Geography—Cheung Mingto; Music—C. E. Hastings; Drawing—(1) Lam Tso-Un; (2) Chow Cheung-Yang; Drum and Fife Band—(Flute) P. Wilnau; (Drum)—B. Henriquez; Good Conduct—J. Compton.

HONOURS WON BY PUPILS IN 1898.

Oxford University Local Examination:—Senior, G. Benning; Junior, Ch'an Yamtong; J. Olson; P. Wilnau.

Preliminary, W. J. Clerihew; Fan Kuai; R. T. Strangman; H. Moore; Li Chi-lang.

LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC.

Theory of Music.—Junior Honours Section, C. E. Hastings; W. J. Clerihew.

Pianoforte Playing.—Intermediate Section, C. E. Hastings; W. J. Clerihew.

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The tenth ordinary general meeting of the above Company took place to-day at noon, Mr. R. Shewan presided, and the following gentleman were present:—Messrs. A. P. Ewens, J. Orange, Hon. C. P. Chater (consulting committee) Fung Wa Chuen, J. R. Michael, A. Babington, C. A. Tomes, and E. Kelly.

The notice convening the meeting was read by Mr. F. J. V. Jorge (secretary).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, with your permission we will dispense with reading the Report and Accounts which have been in your hands for some days. The net profit is $50,317.44 as against $58,738.31 for last year, but as explained in the report the cost of the new works at Hok Un has absorbed all our funds, and we cannot this year recommend the payment of a dividend, having no money available for the purpose. The new factory at Hok Un we hope to see completed next Sept. without exceeding the original estimate of $603,000, for its cost. This will however fully use up the whole of the new capital leaving us nothing for current expenses or for carrying larger stocks of cement and raw material. Under these circumstances we cannot feel justified in recommending a dividend, which in any case we could only pay with borrowed money. With such a heavy indebtedness as at present, it would not be proper for us to borrow more money merely for the purpose of paying a dividend, nor is there anything gained by paying a dividend and calling up further capital which would simply be paying out money with one hand and taking it back with the other. Neither of these methods would in our opinion be at all good financing. As for issuing debentures, that in the present state of the money market would be quite too expensive and is out of the question. The plan proposed is therefore the simplist and best and if we have to raise further funds later on it will be so much time gained in any case. We fully sympathise with shareholders in their disappointment, but we feel sure that no one who has the interests of the Company at heart will disapprove our action or greatly object to waiting a little longer for their dividends. It gives us great pleasure to report that the new kiln has proved a success giving results which are far in excess of those of our present vertical kilns at Green Island. These will now be replaced by the new kiln, six of which are also now being put up at Hok Un. I am glad to say that not only do we find there is a great saving in the working expenses of these kilns, but we also notice an improvement in the quality of the cement produced. The time, trouble and anxiety spent over experiments with this kiln have therefore been fully justified and promise to bring the Company a good return in the future. At the Brick and Pipe Works at Deep Water Bay we have had a great many difficulties to contend with. Fever has been very prevalent amongst the Chinese employés, and we have also suffered from frequent changes in the European staff. Our new Superintendent Mr. Allan, we regret to say, died in September last year, but his place has since been well filled by his assistant Mr. Witchell, who has shewn much interest and ability in work which was quite new to him. The net result is still small but production and sales are on the increase, while the works themselves have been rendered more effective by various alterations and additions to the kilns and machinery, &c. Work at Hok Un has been retarded by scarcity of labour and delays on the part of the contractor, but is now progressing steadily, the machinery has nearly all arrived from home and is being erected as fast as the roofs of the houses are put on, and new kilns are all finished with the exception of the inner linings. Special attention has been given in the arrangement of this factory to securing the greatest economy of time, labour and materials, and I am not exaggerating when I say that on its completion you will be in possession of a factory equal to the best and most modern concerns in Europe or America.

Mr. J. R. Michael said—I will state beforehand that I want to ask some questions on behalf of Mr. Bischoff, who is unable to attend personally, owing to sickness.

He had written a letter to the managers, but has received no reply. The carrying forward of the profits for the year 1898, which profit has been made with the fully paid up capital of the old Green Island Company, is in his opinion, both unjust and illegal, and he begs to protest against it being done in this way. The new shareholders had their capital only paid up to the extent of one half, and you cannot let them share in the profit on an equal basis as the old shareholders. He emphatically protests against the profit being simply carried forward.

There is another matter. It was currently reported, that the Company had an unsold stock of 45,000 casks of cement, which at the rate of about $3 per cask would be worth alone $135,000. Raw material, coal, etc the Company had in stock in 1896 about $50,000 and in 1897 about $76,000; because on both occasions there was very little stock of cement then. Let us assume the Company had $50,000 worth of raw material on hand at the end of the year under review, then the total value of the stocks would be $185,000 instead of $136,000 as shown in the report. Consequently the assets would stand higher and the profit would reach $100,000, instead of $50,000 for division among the shareholders. It is no misfortune to have a large stock of cement as new cement fresh from the factory, does not give such good results as cement does which has been stored six months or even a year. Mr. Bischoff wants to ask for a detailed statement of the stock on hand at the end of 1898, at least as far as the Cement Company is concerned.

Mr. Shewan said that he had received the letter but had not answered it, on account of it's containing a threat that if it remained unanswered Mr. Bischoff would bring the matter before the general meeting, that was just what they wanted Mr. Bischoff to do. As regarding the legality of their carrying forward the profits to the detriment of the old shareholders, now and old shareholders stood exactly on the same basis in all points of law and had to receive the same treatment. By reference to the balance sheet it would be seen that the stock they had been obliged to place at Hok Un would answer the question concerning that point and he could not oblige by giving any further details of stock in hand. If there were no more questions, he wished to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts.

Seconded by Mr. J. R. Michael.

Carried.

Mr. E. Kelly proposed the re-election of Messrs. Ewens, Orange, Li Sing, Chater and MacEwen as the Consulting committee. Mr. A. Babington seconded.

Carried.

Mr. Fung Wa Chuen proposed the re-election of Messrs. Jas. McAfee and F. Henderson as Auditors. Seconded by Mr. J. R. Michael.

Carried.

This was all the business.

THE JUNIOR NAVAL OFFICERS' RECREATION ROOM.

A very interesting ceremony took place at the Naval Yard this afternoon on the occasion of the opening of the Junior Naval Officers Recreation Room by Master Cedric S. Holland, son of the much respected Rear Admiral Holland, late Commodore of H. M. Naval Establishment, Hongkong.

A richly engraved silver key was presented by Owen Ordish Esq., S. C. E. and after the presentation Admiral Holland made a very touching speech on the necessity of having such a place for the young officers and thanked those present who took such an interest in their welfare.

The Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, K.C.B., returned thanks and stated that he considered it a great necessity and, that thanks were due to Admiral Holland for the interest he took in the young officers.

Master Cedric S. Holland then opened the door and in so doing expressed a hope that it would have every success, and after entering, the toast was drunk to the prosperity of the Junior Naval Officers' Recreation Room.

THE VIVIANNE DAGMAR COMPANY.

For the third time the above Company have appeared at the Theatre Royal. The play staged last night was entitled "My Friend Jarlet" (an episode of the Franco Prussian War), written by Arnold Golsworthy and E. B. Norman; but the piece was a little heavy for Hongkong folks. The parts were very well acted, especially those by Miss Freeman and Mr. Bond. The usual variety entertainment was given after the sketch, and several of the items were loudly applauded and encored. Miss Dagmar was as good as ever in her serpentine dances, and was warmly praised for each effort.

THE LU-HAN RAILWAY.

It is generally understood that, as most people expected, the Belgian attempt to construct the railway from Paotingfu to Hankow has broken down. The money provided by H.E. Shêng has been spent, and the money which the Belgian contractors were to furnish is not forthcoming, and the large staff of Belgian engineers dumped down in the interior without the slightest previous knowledge of the country is now being paid by H. E. Shêng. The American Syndicate has the reversion of this contract in the event of the Belgian Syndicate being unable to carry it out; but it is doubtful if the Americans will care to assume it, and they certainly will not assume it on its present conditions. The apparent decision of Great Britain that the partition of China cannot be avoided must much increase the anxiety of every one who has made loans to or contracts with China, for the embarrassments that the new order of things must produce will be endless.—*N. C. D. News.*

HOSPITAL-SHIP LAUNCHED.

SINGAPORE, March 13th.

A hospital-ship, ordered by the Ceylon Government, was launched to-day at the New Harbour Company's shipyard. The chief dimensions of the vessel, which is intended for Colombo Harbour, are length 130ft., breadth 25ft., and depth of hold 14ft. The whole of the woodwork is of the best selected teak, and the fastenings are principally of copper. The vessel is very much like the old East Indiamen trading vessels, and it is interesting to compare it with the modern steel-screw steamer building alongside. The decks of the vessel—of which there are two—are spacious, and the between decks look more like a large hall than the inside of a ship, as the beds and other fittings have not been put up yet. A roof like that of a house is to be built over the upper deck, and above that again will be a signalling platform. The vessel is the largest and perhaps the heaviest ship of any kind yet launched in Singapore, the weight of material in the hull being largely in excess of anything usually required now-a-days.

The ship has been surveyed while building by Mr. A. Kidd, Lloyd's Surveyor, on behalf of the Colonial Government of Ceylon. The order for the vessel was given to the Dock Co. through the Colonial Secretary S. S. who has taken an interest in the building of this unique craft. The launch was performed very successfully under the superintendence of Mr. Sellar, the Manager of the Dock Company.—*Straits Times.*

QUEER CALCUTTA STORY.

The *Saturday Journal* is responsible for the following:—"A most extraordinary story has found currency among the lower class of natives of Calcutta. The visits of so many Maharajas and Rajas to the town has naturally excited a great deal of comment and interest, but the obvious explanation—that they came to pay their respects to the new Viceroy—has been scouted in the bazaars. The truth, it appears, is that the Queen has decided to take up her residence in Calcutta in two or three years. Naturally so great a Padisha-Zadi will have an enormous retinue—so enormous, indeed, that the whole of the town will be required to house it. The present inhabitants, therefore, will be removed to Assensolé—of all places in the world. Lord Curzon has been deputed to make the necessary arrangements, and has summoned the various Maharajas to assist him with their advice. This precious story has been vaguely afloat for a month or so, but during the present week it found very general belief. Some wiseacre pointed to the tents being put up on the maidan for the flower-show as the place where the "committee meeting" was to be held, which was to settle all the details. That was conclusive. Now, the report might have led to some dangerous panic, like the inoculation one, but, luckily, it has had the opposite effect. It would seem that the Queen has directed that every house holder and tenant, who is dispossessed, must be liberally recompensed and granted a free site at Assensole, so all the petty shop-keepers and gharriwallahs and coolies are looking forward with pleased anticipation to the time when the Government will open its purse-strings, and the exodus begin.

RESCUED WITH A BICYCLE.

A novel rescue from drowning was witnessed recently near London. While a number of boys were playing on some canal barges one of them, eleven years of age, fell into the water, and must have doubtless perished but for the promptitude of a young fellow who was passing on his bicycle. Hearing screams from the drowning boy he immediately mounted the barges with his bicycle on his shoulder, and was on the point of undressing to go into the water when the drowning boy made his appearance on the surface for the third time. Seeing there was no time to be lost, the rescuer fastened his pocket handkerchief to the front wheel of his bicycle, and lowered it to the unfortunate boy just as he was again disappearing. The lad quickly succeeded in grasping hold of the tyre of the hind wheel, and he was dragged on to the barges and thence on to the shore.

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS.

This great play (perhaps the most celebrated of this century) will be performed on Monday, March 27th, and following nights by Messrs. Dallas and Musgrave's Dramatic Company at the Theatre Royal. The Company arrived from Singapore yesterday and wherever they have played crowded houses have greeted them and such eulogistic accounts have reached us of their performances that their opening night will be looked forward to with interest.

FORMOSA LOAN BILL.

(From a correspondent.)

The Bill for the raising of the Formosa loan, in its amended form by the House of Representatives, has just passed the two Houses of the Japanese Diet by a great majority. The Bill introduced by the Government to the Diet was to raise within the period of ten years a loan of forty million yen for the purpose of constructing railroads, harbours, Government offices, water works, and other civilizing agencies, in Formosa. But as aforesaid, it was amended by the House of Representatives, and the amount of the loan to be raised was reduced to thirty five million yen. The amendment is, however, not a material alteration. The Formosa Government can now peacefully pursue its work of civilizing the island, and of developing its resources, and when its good work comes to be known by the Diet and the world at large, the Government will easily find the way to obtain money when needed. It is a matter of much congratulation that the present administrators of Formosa have so well succeeded in their effort of persuading the Imperial Government and the Diet to endorse and sanction their proposal.

MORE RABIES AT SHANGHAI.

About midnight on Tuesday, says the *N. C. D. News* of 16th inst., a black and white dog, supposed to be rabid, bit Mr. Munter of the Customs in the Kiangse Road, having come from Broadway, Hongkew, where he had bitten a police constable named O'Donnell, and a Roman Catholic priest and some others. The police were at work yesterday trying to find the dog. It is evident that still more drastic measures to eradicate *rabies* will have to be adopted and that very soon. Mr. Munter was promptly inoculated at the Municipal Laboratory by Dr. Stanley.

THE JAPANESE EMIGRATION QUESTION.

The emigration question, says the *Osaka Mainichi*, is giving the Japanese Government a lot of trouble. Everywhere the emigrants have gone, they have met with opposition, and the policy of the Government is to refuse as far as possible to grant passports to free labourers to America, Hawaii and Australia. The adjournment of the U.S. Congress before arriving at any decision on the question of the immigration of contracted Japanese labourers, has given time for the consideration of the matter. The Japanese Government therefore intend to enter into communication with the United States Government with the view of getting a clear definition of the distinction between free and contracted labourers. Hitherto, it appears, the fact that Japanese emigration companies are obliged under the provisions of the Japanese Emigrants' Protection Law to keep agents at the different landing places and there sign agreements with the emigrants, promising them all necessary assistance should they become ill and helpless, has led to great difficulties with the United States Customs Authorities as to whether such were contracted or free labourers. It is anticipated, also, that in the event of contracted immigration into Hawaii being prohibited the same difficulty may arise there.

BOYCOTTING A RAILWAY COMPANY.

It is reported that the Nankai Railway Company have decided not to make any compensation for the cotton flannel destroyed in the recent great fire at the godowns of the Company at Namba Station, Osaka. The cotton flannel weavers in Wakayama have in consequence agreed not to send any goods by the Nankai railway after the 20th inst.

DEEP-SEA RESEARCH.

A SEVEN-MONTHS' CRUISE.

The German deep-sea exploring expedition which (as already reported) arrived at Colombo the other day, in the *Valdivia*, left Europe in the summer of 1898. The expedition secured, during a cruise of seven months, a very rare collection of marine fishes, crustacea, molluscs, shells, sea-anemones, marine plants, and microscopic animals, also birds and plants secured ashore, besides making important investigations in the way of taking soundings and recording the temperature of the water. The experiences of the party have been varied and exciting. After a cruise down the West African coast, the *Valdivia* encountered icebergs, and, in the Antarctic Ocean narrowly escaped being ice-bound. They went as far south as 64 deg. 14 min., and them went up among the islands of the Indian Ocean. The party lost one of its number by the death of Dr. Bachman, of Breslau, shortly after leaving the ice region, but since then there has been no other misfortune.

INTERESTING DISCOVERY.

The 54th degree of south latitude was reached towards the end of November, and here a discovery, or rather a re-discovery, was made when Bouvet Island, which was first discovered and its reckoning lost in 1823, was come across. Though the island was supposed to be in that region, the exact location was not set down, and it had been altogether lost sight of. It was, by a mere chance, come across by the *Valdivia* and the exact spot was located, it being 54 deg. 30 min. S., and 3 deg. 31 min. E. The island however, could not be visited as the sea was very rough. Then followed a long passage till the Keeling, or Cocos, Islands were reached. This was in the second week in January. In that quarter the deepest sounding was made,

THE GREATEST DEPTH.

The lead touched the bottom at 5,911 metres (3'13 miles) in 18 deg. 17'6 min. S. and 96 deg. 19'8 min. E. In the South Polar regions, too, great depths were recorded—5,733 mattres in 58 deg. 5 min. S. and 35 deg. 53 min E., while 5,800 metres was recorded in 15 deg. 8 min. S. and 96 deg. 20 min. E. But of course the greatest depth yet discovered has been in the South Pacific, where the wire cable snapped at a depth of 4½ miles. After leaving the Cocos Islands, the vessel went up to Padang at the mouth of the Padang River, on the west coast of Sumatra, and off this place the most valuable and interesting specimens of marine creatures were collected. The botanist of the party made a long visit ashore, going into the interior plant-collecting, while the others were fully engaged in fishing off the place. The Nicobar Islands south of the Andamans was the last place called at, before proceeding to Colombo, and there the *Valdivia* stayed only two hours.—*Straits Times.*

TUBERCULOSIS IN DAIRY STOCK.

With the object of assisting dairy farmers in meeting the requirements of sanitary authorities under the present circumstances, the following suggestions are, says *The Scotsman* of 9th February, offered by the Royal Agricultural Society of England:—

It is a matter of certainty that a notable quantity of milk which is sold to the public contains tubercle bacilli, and persons who drink it in an uncooked condition incur some risk of infection. In a small proportion of cases tubercle may be detected in milk by microscopic examination, and such milk is always highly dangerous. It ought to be clearly understood, however, that failure to detect the bacilli by microscopic examination of milk is not reliable evidence that such milk is free from the germs of tuberculosis. Tuberculosis, known also as consumption, wasting, and pining, is a contagious disease, and is spread by the introduction of the tubercle bacilli into the bodies of healthy animals along with the food or drink, and in other ways. Diseased cattle eject bacilli in coughing; also in the discharge from the mouth and nose, and in the manure. The disease in the advanced stage may be detected by an expert from the outward symptoms, but in the majority of instances there are no characteristic signs, and the tuberculin test is the only safe and nearly certain method of discovering the existence of tubercle, even when no indications are apparent. When it is intended to employ the test, the owner of the cattle should apply to the Principal of the Royal Veterinary College, Camden Town, London, N.W., giving the name of his usual veterinary adviser, to whom printed instructions will be sent. If desired, the name of a veterinary surgeon in the district will be suggested. Animals which react to the test, thus indicating that they are affected with tuberculosis, should be separated from those which do not react; a slight partition covered with tarred felt, to divide a shed into two parts, will suffice.

The following hints are given by the Society as to the means of preventing the spread of the disease:—All animals which are affected with diarrhœa, cough, or wasting should be removed from contact with other animals. Overcrowding, imperfect ventilation, dirt, and darkness favour the spreading of the disease. An open air life is the most desirable for milch cows, and under such conditions tuberculosis shows very little tendency to spread. The cows should not be allowed to feed out of troughs in the pastures, but be taken into the sheds to have their ordinary manger-food. The cleansing and disinfection of cow-sheds is essential, and the free use of water is a most important part of the process. Sweeping and dry brushing, and the raising of dust, should be avoided. Tubercular disease of the udder ought always to be suspected when a painless hard lump, slowly enlarging, can be detected in one or more of the quarters. As to the course which the owner should take with regard to the reacting cows, it can only be said that the sooner they are sent to the butcher the better. As it is impossible to determine at what particular moment the udder may be invaded, and the milk become infective a strict regard to sanitary laws would exclude the milk of tuberculous cow as unsafe for food, unless it had been effectually sterilised before distribution or use. That the decided effort which is now being made to arrest the spreading of consumption and other forms of tuberculosis in man will gradually lead to the enforcement of strict precautions against the sale of milk from tuberculous cows cannot be doubted; and it is of the utmost importance that dairymen should realise the necessity of doing everything in their power to eradicate tuberculosis from their herds. It has been proved that much can be done in this direction by the owner, with the advice and assistance of his veterinary adviser.

"THE BRITISH REALM."

Speaking at the *British Realm* banquet given at Prinegs Restaurant, in London, on the 10th of February last, Sir Charles Dilke said:—"*The British Realm* has shown itself in its early days an organ of British Imperial interests and of British trade in the British world. In its future it is, as I understand, to associate itself more and more with the interests of our race and of British and American trade in the world outside of this United Kingdom, and in its expansion it will have my profound sympathy. I am sometimes called a Jingo because I am one of those who think that large armaments are still necessary in the present condition of the world, not only to maintain our command of the sea, which is a necessity of our existence, but also for the purpose of bringing to an end by an honourable peace any war in which, against our wish, we may become involved. I am not a partisan of mere territorial expansion of the empire if it can be avoided, and had far sooner have with other powers, and especially with the United States, such an understanding as would enable us to trade without the responsibilities of annexation. That, I think, is the tendency of such work as the work on which the promoters of *The British Realm* are now engaged; and that I most heartily welcome."

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MARCH.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer	30.059
Thermometer	62.0
Humidity	85.0
Rainfall	4.08

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.11	29.98
Thermometer	69	68
Humidity	72	74
Rainfall	—	—

TO-DAY.

Wednesday, 22nd March, 1899.

Chinese—*11th of 2nd moon of 25th year of Kwang-sü.*

Sun—*Rises* 6hr. 6min.
Sets 5hr. 53min.
High water—*Morning* 8hr. 10min.
Afternoon 5hr. 34min.
Low water—*Morning* 0hr. 16min.
Afternoon 11hr. 8min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1797—Emperor William I., of Germany born.
1839—The surrender of Mr. Dent demanded by Commissioner Lin.
1841—The Canton batteries and 100 war junks destroyed by the British.
1850—The Orange Sovereignty separated from Cape Colony.
1879—Church of the Sacred Heart, Hongkong, opened.
1881—The Boers agreed to accept self-government under the suzerainty of Great Britain.
1885—Death at Peking, of Sir Harry Parkes, H.B.M.'s Minister to China.
1897—Scoul-Chemulpo Railway commenced.

TO-MORROW.

Thursday, 23rd March, 1899.

Chinese—*12th of 2nd moon of 25th year of Kwang-sü.*

Sun—*Rises* 6hr. 6min.
Sets 5hr. 55min.
High water—*Morning* 8hr. 12min.
Afternoon 6hr. 31min.
Low water—*Morning* 0hr. 52min.
Afternoon 0hr. 18min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1839—Captain Elliot forced his way to Canton.
1897—Collapse of a building in East Street, Hongkong, 1 man killed, 5 injured.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

Australian *(Tokio Maru)* 24th inst.
Indian *(Suisang)* 25th inst.
French *(Ernest Simons)* 26th inst.
American *(City of Peking)* 29th inst.
American *(Gaelic)* 6th prox.
American *(Hongkong Maru)* 14th prox.

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THE Silk *ex* steamship *Victoria*, arrived in New York on the 20th instant.

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THE N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Victoria*, sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 20th instant.

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THE China Mutual Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer *Oanfa* from Glasgow and Liverpool, is due at Singapore on or about the 7th prox.

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THE O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Sarpedon* from Glasgow, left Singapore for this port this morning, the 22nd, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 27th instant.

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THE China Mutual Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer *Hyson* from Glasgow, Liverpool and Newport, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, the 21st, and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

	at	Kowloon	Dock.
Isla de Cuba	"	"	"
Isla de Luzon	"	"	"
Hue	"	"	"
Kiojun Maru	"	"	"
H.M.S. Redpole	"	"	"
H.I.G.M.S.P. Whelm	"	"	"
Chusan	"	"	"
Produce	"	"	"
Haiching	"	"	"
U.S.S. Monadnock	"	"	"
H.M.S. Whiting	"	"	"
Dos Hermanos	"	"	"
H.M.S. Humber	"	"	"
D. Juan d'Austria	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Phra Chom Klao	"	"	"
Chittagong	"	Aberdeen	"
Nanyang	"	"	"

PASSED THE CANAL.

Outward—24th February *Myrmidon*. 28th February *Candia, Hyson, Sarpedon*. 3rd March *Marquis, Bacquehem, Lielswold, Kara, Portigern*. 7th March *Afridi, Orestes, Catania, Saivia*. 10th March *Benalder, Glenshiel, Undaunted*. 14th March *Java, Prinz Heinrich, Ask*. 17th March *Glaucus*.

Homeward—17th March *Socotra*.

Auction.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

MR. G. P. LAMMERT has received instructions from the Mortgagee to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on the premises on TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1899, at 3 P.M.

ALL THAT Valuable LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate Nos. 50, 52 and 54, Lower Lascar Row, Victoria, Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as SUBSECTIONS 1 of SECTION A of INLAND LOT No. 44.

The Property is held for the residue of the term of 75 years from the 26th June, 1843, and for the further term of 924 years from the expiry of the said term of 75 years, at the apportioned CROWN RENT of £28.60.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from

Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS,
35, Queen's Road,
Vendors Solicitors,
and from the
The Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1899. [339a

Intimations.

LOST OR STRAYED.

A SMALL BROWN and WHITE FOX-TERRIER DOG with steel chain collar, answering to the name of NELLIE. Finder will be REWARDED.

G. P. JORDAN.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [378a

EYE-SIGHT.

NOTICE.

MR. N. LAZARUS

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1899. [338a

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Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 125.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot,

TO-MORROW,

the 23rd day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 25th February, 1899. [363a

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Thursday, the 23rd day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 21 Years.

PARTICULARS OF LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurement. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upper Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	—	Garden Peak Road, Lot J.	120.0 160.0 62.0	162.0 159.0 62.0	25 111 10 20 140 140		18,378	50	946

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 136.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

FRIDAY,

the 24th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [371a

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Friday, the 24th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upper Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 832.	Inez Victor Road, (near Blackhead's Point).	230	234.6	192.4	124	35,230	154	5,085

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 93.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,

the 27th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 18th February, 1899. [386a

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale to be held on Monday, the 27th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upper Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1,297	Wanchai Road	648	93	68.5	51.7	5,795	72	2,318

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 123.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

TUESDAY,

the 28th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 25th February, 1899. [390a

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 28th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upper Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1,297	Macdonnell and Chater Roads.	129.9	132.6	113	127.10	18,646	256	13,985

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P. BOHM,
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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1899. [12

Consignees.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "GLENOGLE,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [4

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BENGAL,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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From Zanzibar, &c., *ex* S.S. *Canara*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 11.30 A.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1899. [1-w 5

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"CHARTERHOUSE,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 1 P.M. of the 23rd instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [379a

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.V. "ALBERT RICKMERS,"
FROM HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of cargo ex above-named vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside or they will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [380a

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENFARG,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her, are hereby informed that their goods, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 27th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 3rd April, otherwise they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [389a

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"AMERICA MARU."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [1310

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "AZTEC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [1-w 1

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
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RIOJUN MARU..... W. Ekstrana	KOBE (DIRECT).....	SATURDAY, 25th March, at 4 P.M.
FUTAMI MARU..... C. Hillcoat.....	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 7th April, at 4 P.M.
KANAGAWA MARU J. MacKenzie	MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & BREMEN, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	SUNDAY, 9th April, at.....

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A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [6



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For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [382a

EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

"MALAYA,"

Captain Berentzen, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 23rd instant.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [365a

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"MOYUEN,"

Captain R. Conradi, will be despatched for the above port, on or about the 25th instant.

To be followed by the
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S.S. "UNDAUNTED,"
Sailing about the 10th May.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
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Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [245a

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Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 28th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1899. [366a

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PROMETHEUS,"

Captain Day, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 3rd April.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [392a

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 23rd instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [387a

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"TSINAN,"

Captain Ramsay, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 23rd instant, at Noon.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [343a

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1899. [383a

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THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGWO,"

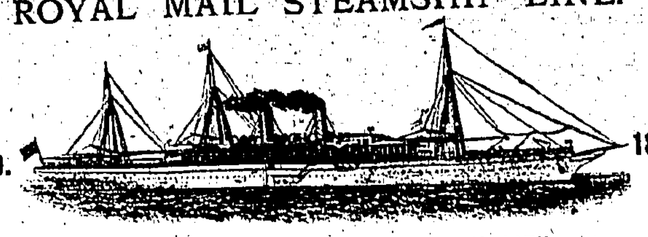
Captain H. Harris, will be despatched as above on or about the 4th April.

For Freight, &c., apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [344a

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 5th April, 1899.
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 26th April, 1899.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 17th May, 1899.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, THE LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street. [3

Hongkong, 16th March, 1899.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

FOR PACIFIC COAST, CANADA and the UNITED STATES.

THE C.P.R. Company's Steamship

"ATHENIAN,"

3,882 tons gross register,

will be despatched on or about SATURDAY, the 25th of March, for VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, via MOJI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

The vessel has excellent accommodation for Saloon passengers. Through tickets issued to all points.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast, Canada and the United States.

For information as to rates of Freight and Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN,
General Agent.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1899. [349a

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, *Viâ* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Thursday, 30th Mar., at Daylight.
HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Tuesday, 25th April, at Noon.
NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Saturday, 20th May, at Noon.

THE Steamship

"AMERICA MARU,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 30th March, at Daylight, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, Union PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1899. [1310

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FROM VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Olympia...	2,837	J. Truebridge ...	April 1.
Victoria ...	3,502	J. Panton.....	April 25.
Tacoma ...	2,811	A. Dixon.....	May 13.
Glenogle...	3,750	J. McGillivray...	May 30.

ALSO FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Columbia	2,976	N. Moncur.	April 15.
Monmouthshire	2,874	W. A. Evans	May 6.
Lennox	3,677	Williamson	June 3.
Columbia	2,976	N. Moncur.	July 8.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by the Line, HONGKONG TO LONDON £47.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Tables. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £41.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA £28.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.
General Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1899. [4



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"CHUSAN,"

Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 1st April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1899. [5

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 Al British Bark

"QUEEN MARGARET,"

Fraser, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [1533

Mails.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD. (*Freight Service.*)



HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE. (*East Asiatic Service.*)

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
WITTENBERG ... Madsen	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN, (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	30th March.	Freight.
SUEVIA Foerck	HAVRE, AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG/BREMEN (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	30th March.	Freight.
NURNBERG v. Binzer	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	About 15th April.	Freight.
BABELSBERG ... Pfaff.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG)	About 24th April.	Freight and Passage.

* These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Calling at NAPLES for Passengers only, if sufficient inducement offers.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, &c., apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents,

Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [981

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan PORTS and HONOLULU, The UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

Belgian King ...	3,379	Tuesday	Mar. 28
Carmarthenshire.	2,989	about	April 20
Carlisle City.....	3,002	about	May 20

THE Steamship

"BELGIAN KING,"

will be despatched for SAN DIEGO VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 28th instant.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the OFFICE until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For futher information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [1330

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).....	Saturday, 8th April, at Noon.	
China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	Tuesday, 2nd May, at Noon.	
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	Saturday, 27th May, at Noon.	

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, & HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 8th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States of Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNITED PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1899. [1

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).	Saturday, 15th April, at Noon.
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).	Thursday, 11th May, at Noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).	Tuesday, 6th June, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 15th April, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan, (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1899. [2

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:

ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Bayern.....	Wednesday 29th March.
Prinz Heinrich...	Wednesday 26th April.
Preussen.....	Wednesday 24th May.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of March, 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "BAYERN," Captain E. Prehn, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 27th instant. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 28th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 28th instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1899. [1044

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